



EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONDER

RESOURCE CATEGORY	Emergency Medical Services
RESOURCE KIND	Personnel
OVERALL FUNCTION	The Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) is an out-of-hospital practitioner whose primary focus is to initiate immediate lifesaving care to patients while ensuring patient access to the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system.
COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This position can be ordered as a single resource. 2. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as working conditions, length of deployment, security, lodging, transportation and meals, prior to deployment.

Each type of resource builds on the qualifications of the type below it. For example, Type 1 qualifications include the qualifications in Type 2, plus an increase in capability. Type 1 is the highest qualification level.

COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
DESCRIPTION	<p>The EMR:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Functions as part of a comprehensive EMS response, community, health or public safety system with clinical protocols and medical oversight 2. Performs basic interventions, with minimal equipment and resources, to manage life threats, medical needs and psychological needs until other personnel can arrive 3. Assesses patient needs, initiates treatment and requests additional resources, as necessary 4. Assists in caring for patients during ambulance transport 5. Provides an important link within the 911 and EMS systems 	Not Specified
EDUCATION	Successful completion of a state-, tribe- or territory-approved EMR training program that meets or exceeds a uniform national standard for quality	Not Specified
TRAINING	<p>Completion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IS-5: An Introduction to Hazardous Materials 2. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100 3. IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200 4. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction 5. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction 	Not Specified
EXPERIENCE	Ongoing, active participation with an EMS-providing entity, organization or agency	Not Specified
PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Arduous 2. Maintains immunizations in accordance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s immunization recommendations 	The NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System National Incident Management System (NIMS) Guideline for the National Qualification System (NQS) defines physical/medical fitness levels for NIMS positions.
CURRENCY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ongoing, active participation with an EMS-providing entity, organization or agency 2. Immunizations up-to-date and commensurate with mission assignment 	Not Specified



Position Qualification for Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical Services
Emergency Medical Services

COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS	State-, tribe- or territory-granted active status of legal authority to function as an EMR	Not Specified



Position Qualification for Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical Services
Emergency Medical Services

NOTES

1. Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated category.
2. This document contains references to non-federal resources and materials. Such references do not constitute an endorsement by the U.S. government, or any of its employees, of the information or content which a non-federal resource or material provides.

REFERENCES

1. FEMA, National Incident Management System (NIMS), October 2017
2. FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System, November 2017
3. FEMA, National Response Framework, June 2016
4. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, National Association of State EMS Officials, National EMS Scope of Practice Model 2019 (DOT HS 812-666), February 2019